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TAGS: EAID, EFIN, ADB
SUBJECT: PROPOSED VISIT OF USADB STAFF ADVISOR

1. IRA J. KAYLIN, USADB ECONOMIC ADVISOR, PLANS TO MAKE OFFICIAL VISIT TO SEVERAL ADB PROJECTS IN THAILAND JULY 24 - JULY 28. DISCUSSIONS WITH EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPRESENTING THAILAND AND ADB STAFF INDICATE TWO POSSIBLE AREAS FOR PROJECT VISITS: BANGKOK AND LOM PONG (MAE MOH POWER PROJECT). USADB STAFF ARE USG EMPLOYEES, THEREFORE, REQUEST EMBASSY ASSISTANCE.
2. TENTATIVE ITINERARY BELOW IS SUBJECT TO EMBASSY COMMENT GIVEN TIME CONSTRAINTS, TRANSPORTATION SCHEDULES AND CONVENIENCE TO GOT AGENCY OFFICIALS. REQUEST EMBASSY CONCURRENCE AND/OR RECOMMENDATION FOR ALTERNATIVE PLANS. WOULD APPRECIATE VISITING PROJECTS WITH APPROPRIATE GOT OFFICIALS TO GET MAXIMUM BENEFIT FROM VISIT.

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3. PROPOSED SCHEDULE:

JULY 23 - ARRIVE BANGKOK

JULY 24-26 - MEETINGS WITH EMBASSY, USAID AND GOT OFFICIALS. PROPOSED MEETINGS BASED ON ASSUMPTION THAT TWO MEETINGS PER DAY IS OPTIMUM. IF POSSIBLE TO ARRANGE,

WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH FOLLOWING THAI OFFICIALS:

MINISTRY OF FINANCE: DIRECTOR, PANDIT BUNYAPANA OR
DEPUTY DIRECTOR, KRAISRI CHATIKAVANIJ; DIRECTOR OF LOAN
OPERATIONS, PRAVIT KLONGWATHANAKITH.

NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD: SECRE-
TARY-GENERAL, KRIT SOMBATSIRI; CHIEF, INTERNATIONAL
FINANCE DIVISION, CHAKRAMON PHASUKAVANICH; CHIEF, INFRA-
STRUCTURE PROJECTS DIVISION, CHARAN BURAPHARAT; WOULD
ALSO LIKE TO SPEAK TO MAN IN CHARGE OF AGRICULTURE
PROJECTS.

ELECTRICITY GENERATING AUTHORITY OF THAILAND (EGAT):
GENERAL MANAGER, KASAME CHATIKAVANIJ. ADB STAFF HAS
SPOKEN HIGHLY OF MR. KASAME AND KAYLIN WOULD, THEREFORE,
GREATLY APPRECIATE EMBASSY EFFORTS IN ARRANGING MEETING
WITH THIS INDIVIDUAL. IF NOT AVAILABLE, DEPUTY GENERAL
MANAGER FOR ADMINISTRATION, PATIPHAT ARAYASAstra OR CHIEF
OF SYSTEMS PLANNING DIVISION, PRATIN PATHANAPORN.

METROPOLITAN ELECTRICITY AUTHORITY (MEA): DIRECTOR OF
PLANNING, BONGSNID SNIDAVONGS; AFTER DISCUSSION, WOULD
LIKE TO SEE PROJECT RESULTING FROM ADB LOAN TO MEA.

METROPOLITAN WATER WORKS AUTHORITY (MWWA): GENERAL
MANAGER, KRACHOK SUPKILVILEKKARN; AFTER DISCUSSION, WOULD
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LIKE TO SEE PROJECT RESULTING FROM ADB LOAN TO MWWA.

CHIEF OF IBRD RESIDENT MISSION, HENDRIK VAN DER HEIJDEN.

IF TIME PERMITS OR ABOVE MENTIONED DISCUSSIONS NOT
FEASIBLE, THE FOLLOWING ALTERNATIVES MIGHT BE CONSIDERED:

INDUSTRIAL FINANCE CORPORATION: GENERAL MANAGER, WAREE
BHONGSVEJ;

BANK OF THAILAND: GOVERNOR, DR. SNOH UNAKUL OR DEPUTY
GOVERNOR, CHEVALIT THANACHANAN;

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS: PLANNING DIVISION, MR. SANAR.
ADB HAS HELPED FINANCE BONG NA-BONG PAKONE ROAD NEAR
BANGKOK.

JULY 27, 28 - TRAVEL TO LOM PONG TO VISIT MAE MOH POWER
PROJECT AND, IF FEASIBLE, WOULD LIKE TO SEE HYDRO PROJECT
AT BHUMIPHUL. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY MAKING ARRANGE-
MENT WITH EGAT FOR TRANSPORTATION FROM LOM PONG TO PROJECT
SITE.

4. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
STAFF VISIT TO THAILAND HAS BEEN CANCELLED.

5. REQUEST EMBASSY COMMENTS REGARDING TIMING, ITINERARY
AND POSSIBILITIES FOR MEETING APPROPRIATE THAI OFFICIALS
IN ONE WEEK'S VISIT. EDMOND

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